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Austria (Soviet)

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Military Activity at St Poelten and Camp Spratzern

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 20 July [redacted] two trucks were parked in the yard of the Eugen Kaserne in St Poelten. [redacted] soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets were seen.<sup>1</sup> Six medium [redacted] two tank trucks were parked under the lean-to-roof of Rainer Kaserne, while 10 motor vehicles were parked in the yard of the barracks.<sup>2</sup> Long wire aerials and stored poles remained unchanged in Franz Josef Kaserne. Vehicular traffic at the barrier of the barracks included:

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Jeep [redacted] with driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets and armored forces insignia, sedan [redacted] with driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets and truck [redacted] with driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets arrived at the former Kreisgericht near Schiessstatttring. Truck [redacted] was parked in front of the garage west of the former Kreisgericht.<sup>4</sup>

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Trucks [redacted] with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed leaving the former mill at 88 Wiener Strasse. Truck [redacted] with driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets and loaded with small boxes arrived at Viehofen castle.<sup>5</sup>

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2. No changes or dismantling were observed at Camp Spratzern. Six trucks, four van-like trucks and three jeeps were parked in the quartering area. [redacted] ILLEGIB

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3. On 25 July 1955 at 1530, a motor vehicle column, covered with dust, [redacted] proceeded from the direction of Spratzern in the direction of St Poelten. Each truck carried five soldiers with epaulets, and towed a two wheel pneumatic tire vehicle covered with canvas. The weapon was equipped with carriage, its length was about 2.50 m including the gun carriage. The canvas showed a large lateral bulge in its upper half.

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1. [redacted] Comment. The 109th Gds Eng Bn of the 95th Mtz Rifle Div, listed as stationed at Eugen Kaserne was absent from the military post during the reported period, and was probably at troop training ground northeast of Melk.

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2. [redacted] Comment. Prior to this report, it could not be determined which unit of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div was stationed in this installation.

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3. [redacted] Comment. The 140th Gds Sig Bn of the 95th Mtz Rifle Div is presumably stationed in Franz Josef Kaserne and for its larger part remained in the military post.

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4. [redacted] Comment. The former Kreisgericht at Schiessstatttring, occupied by the headquarters of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, is probably also the military post headquarters.

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5. [redacted] Comment. It is presumed that supply services of the division are stationed in the former mill at Wienerstrasse and at Viehofen castle.

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6. [redacted] Comment. The 150th Armed SP gun Regt and the 997th (?) AA Bn of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div are listed as being in Camp Spratzern; both units probably remained in their barracks.

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7. [redacted] Comment. The reported weapon cannot be identified.

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